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REMARKS

The foregoing amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.312 is filed in response to the Notice of Allowance dated November 6, 2006. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

The status of the claims is as follows:

Claims 1-2, 5-14, and 17-25 have been allowed.

Claim 23 has been amended.

The Applicant has amended claim 23 to account for a dependency change resulting from the cancellation of claim 16. Specifically, in claim 23, line 2, the number "16" has been replaced with a number --13--.

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The Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned Attorney to discuss any matter regarding the foregoing amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.312.

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